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REMARKS

Claims 1-3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) as unpatentable over Gallick (U.S. Patent No. 6,678,359) in view of McAllister, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,038,305). Claim 4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 102(e) as being anticipated by Gallick.

Examiner Interview of October 24, 2005

In their telephone conference of October 24, 2005, Examiner Elahee, Primary Examiner Escalante, and Applicant's patent attorney, John Biggers, agreed that it would be possible to patentably distinguish the present case from Gallick under 35 U.S.C § 102(e) and from Gallick in view of McAllister under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) — by amending the claims to clarify that in identifying a callee receiving a call according to embodiments of the present invention it is the destination device of a call that accesses a third party system to authenticate a callee identity. Applicants have now amended the present application so as to clarify the claims accordingly. The claim that it is the destination device of a call that accesses a third party system to authenticate a callee identity is fully enabled in the original specification of the present application, in both the drawings and the text, including, for example, Figure 5 at reference S24 and beginning at page 26, line 14. Applicants therefore respectfully submit that the present amendments to the claims add no new matter to the present application. Applicants respectfully propose also that the present case is now in condition for allowance and request early consideration and notification of allowance.

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